## APPROVED MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the Water Pollution Control Authority (WPCA) held on August 24, 2009 in the conference room of the Water Pollution Control Facility, 1122 Universal Drive.

PRESENT: Ms. McCarty, Ms. Sheridan, Messrs.: Lane, Pellegrino and Werner

ABSENT: Mr. Abercrombie

ALSO PRESENT: Alan Asikainen, Maguire Group, Inc.

Mark Barrows, Plant Manager, Veolia Water

Jonathan Bodwell, Town Engineer Diane Cuomo, Public Works

Mr. Werner, Chairman of the WPCA, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Minutes of the previous meeting

Mr. Barrows made a correction to the July 27, 2009, minutes under #2. - Plant Operations – first paragraph, last sentence, changing \$70,000 **to** \$17,000.

Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected above. The Commission voted as follows: Ms. Sheridan – Yes; Mr. Lane – Yes; Mr. Pellegrino – Yes; Mr. Werner – Yes; Ms. McCarty – abstained.

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2. WPCF - Plant Operations - status report (MB/Veolia Water)

Mr. Barrows reported there were no violations for the month of July and we were below our nitrogen limit again for the month. He added, if the year were to end now, we would have to pay \$13,000 for nitrogen.

Mr. Barrows reported the primary digester is on line, functioning and running. Work on the secondary digester should commence in approximately two weeks.

With regard to the Old Broadway Pump Station, Mr. Barrows reported that three and a half (3 ½) weeks ago one of the pumps failed. A new pump was ordered and while waiting for it to arrive, the second pump at this location failed. A second pump was ordered and that should arrive within three weeks. In the meantime, a service call was placed and we are currently bypassing that station. The cost for the initial/first week of service will be \$30,000 with each additional week costing \$17,000 until the new pump(s) can be replaced. Included in the cost are set-up and tear down, along with manning of the station 24 hours per day.

Mr. Barrows provided an explanation of the system, the service in place and answered questions from the Commission.

- 3. Sewer Use 2008-2009 Status Report (JB)
  - a) Mr. Bodwell presented a Sewer Use Calculation and rate projection for the 2008-2009 billing year which summarized total expenditures of 2,826,376.56.

Expenditures have been supplied by Finance and include an increase in Equipment Replacement Expenses from \$100,000 to \$200,000 toward the WPCF digester project. The total expenditures also include an increase in Reserve Accounts for depreciation from \$50,000 to \$160,000.

Based on the above calculations and in order to generate revenues needed to cover expenses, Mr. Bodwell presented a proposed rate of \$240.00 for Type I / Residential; \$480.00 for Type II; and a commercial rate at \$3.85 per 1,000 gallons.

Mr. Lane made a motion the proposed rates for the sewer use charge for 2009 be:

Type	I	Single-Family Residence	\$240.00
Type	II	Two-Family Residence	\$480.00
Type	III	Industrial / Commercial	\$0.00385 per 1,000 Gallons

Split billing will be allowed for commercial accounts only over \$300.00. Type I and Type II must be paid in one installment.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Sheridan. The vote was unanimous in favor.

b) Mr. Bodwell advised in order to give the Tax Collector sufficient time to prepare sewer use bills for the October 1 mailing, he suggested moving the regular WPCA meeting from September 21, 2009 to September 14, 2009, at which time we would also schedule the Public Hearing for Sewer Use Charge.

Mr. Pellegrino made the motion to change the regular WPCA meeting scheduled for September 21 to September 14, 2009, and schedule the Public Hearing for Sewer Use on the same date, September 14, 2009. The motion was seconded by Ms. McCarty. The vote was unanimous in favor.

4. Proposed Change to Water Pollution Control Authority Rules & Regulations (JB)

Mr. Bodwell proposed the following revision:

<u>Section III</u> - Sewer Use Charge Regulations for the Town of North Haven

Section 2 J. In no case shall the sewer use charge for any multiple dwelling or non-residential use be less than the annual charge for a single family residential unit. (DELETING: unless the owner of the same can demonstrate that his actual sewer usage is less than the single unit charge in which case he should be charged accordingly.)

Mr. Bodwell suggested that this revision be presented at the Public Hearing to be held on September 14, 2009, the same date as the Public Hearing scheduled for 2008-2009 Sewer Use.

Ms. Sheridan made the motion to present the proposed change to the WPCA Rules and Regulations at the Public Hearing scheduled for September 14, 2009, following the Public Hearing for Sewer Use. Mr. Pellegrino seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor.

## 5. Miscellaneous

Mr. Bodwell advised that Stevens Engineering and Environmental Services has presented an annual proposal in the amount of \$3,550.00 for monitoring and insuring stormwater compliance in accordance with DEP Regulations at the Water Pollution Control Facility. It covers the period July 1, 2009, to June 30, 2010, and consists of updating the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP); sampling and analysis; biannual evaluations, training; and preparation of General Permit Registration. He advised, as done in the past, this quotation will be transmitted to the Finance Office for issuance of a purchase order.

6.	<b>Payment</b>	of Bills

None

## 7. Public Comments

None

## 8. Adjournment

Mr. Pellegrino made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Lane. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully yours,

William Lane